



Today is the Dodgers' World Series parade. Good for them. The offseason is here. Let's roll.

2024 Final Hitter Stats

The ones who are still here...

And the ones who are no longer with us...

2024 Pitcher Stats

POS	#	Name	B	T	G	GS	W	L	SV	HLD	IP	ERA	BABIP	WHIP	HR/9	K%	BB%	K%-BB%	ERA+	FIP	WAR
RP	53	Carlos Estevez	R	R	44	0	3	5	25	1	45.2	2.36	.259	0.90	0.8	27.0	4.0	23.0	171	2.63	1.0
RP	54	Hunter Strickland	R	R	56	0	2	1	0	6	58.1	2.93	.227	0.96	0.8	23.8	6.9	16.9	138	3.22	0.8
RP	13	Luis Garcia	R	R	53	0	3	1	3	11	53.0	4.08	.268	1.19	1.2	20.7	7.2	13.5	99	4.34	-0.0
RP	28	Matt Moore	L	L	56	0	6	3	1	9	63.0	5.43	.263	1.33	2.1	19.5	8.6	10.9	73	5.76	-1.2
RP	4	Carson Fulmer	R	R	34	0	0	2	0	0	56.0	3.70	.277	1.41	1.0	23.1	13.0	10.1	109	4.40	-0.1
RP	90	Adam Cimper	R	R	31	0	4	0	0	9	28.1	6.04	.301	1.38	0.3	19.7	13.1	6.6	67	4.10	0.1

2024 Arbitration

- At first glance, this is a massive arb class, but we’re jettisoning more than half of them. It’s going to be an offseason dedicated to cutting dead wood out of the organization and attempting to plant something better in its place. I don’t foresee any splashy free agent moves despite our “big market” status.
- The three starting pitchers at the top are no-brainers at these prices. **Canning** is entering his final arb year and remains a theoretical trade candidate, though we would be selling at the bottom of his value after a terrible 2024. **Sandoval** is due back mid-season from elbow surgery and it’s presently unclear what he’ll look like when he returns. **Detmers** was inexplicably sent to AAA for a mid-season “reset,” which made little sense given the offensive environment at Salt Lake.
- **Adell** (68 wRC+) and **Moniak** (50+ RC) endured *brutal* seasons and both are plagued by severe contact issues. Still, their respective prospect pedigrees and defensive ability make them reasonable keeps for 2025 given the current state of the upper minors. Moniak is out of options, however, which gives him a leg up on **Jordyn Adams** for backup outfielder role. Regardless, this is just rearranging deck chairs.
- With so many guys leaving the organization, we could have as many as 10 open 40-man spots heading into free agency/Rule 5 season. We’ll almost certainly make at least one (and possibly) multiple picks in the Rule 5 Draft.
- **Luis Rengifo** and **Taylor Ward** will be popular targets at the upcoming Winter Meetings. We’ve already had preliminary discussions with Baltimore regarding Ward, for whom I’d love to get a young, MLB-ready position player to join the existing core. Who better to make that happen than the loaded Orioles?
- Alternatively...Rengifo might also be an extension candidate heading into the final year of his deal. He just turned 28, is popular with the fan base, and plays league average defense at multiple spots. Three straight seasons of 2.0-ish WAR. If the returns aren’t worthwhile, perhaps we hang onto him for a few seasons.



SALARY ARBITRATION

YESTERDAY
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TOMORROW
FRI. NOV. 15
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No Game.

SALARY ARBITRATION

ARBITRATION ELIGIBLE PLAYERS

Player	Age	Service	Stats	Current Salary	Arbitration Estimate	Team Offers		
SP Griffin Canning	28	5 Ys, 75 Days	6-17, 5.41 ERA, 176.1 IP, 1.40 WHIP, 7.7 K/9, -0.3 WAR	\$2,600,000	\$3,618,000	\$3,500,000	Change	Withdraw
SP Reid Detmers	25	3 Ys, 43 Days	7-13, 5.74 ERA, 141.0 IP, 1.48 WHIP, 8.7 K/9, 1.2 WAR	\$740,000	\$2,200,000	\$2,200,000	Change	Withdraw
SP Patrick Sandoval	28	4 Ys, 149 Days	2-8, 5.08 ERA, 79.2 IP, 1.51 WHIP, 9.2 K/9, 1.3 WAR	\$5,025,000	\$7,000,000	\$5,500,000	Change	Withdraw
RP Carson Fulmer	30	3 Ys, 19 Days	0-1, 1.69 ERA, 5.1 IP, 1.50 WHIP, 5.1 K/9, 0.1 WAR (PCL)	\$740,000	\$1,200,000	\$0	Submit	Withdraw
RP Zach Plesac	29	3 Ys, 139 Days	5-7, 5.35 ERA, 116.0 IP, 1.44 WHIP, 6.0 K/9, 0.8 WAR (PCL)	\$1,000,000	\$1,300,000	\$0	Submit	Withdraw
RP Jose Suarez	26	3 Ys, 133 Days	0-2, 27.00 ERA, 3.2 IP, 3.55 WHIP, 12.3 K/9, -0.1 WAR (PCL)	\$925,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	Change	Withdraw
CL Jose Quijada	29	3 Ys, 129 Days	-(PCL)	\$840,000	\$1,300,000	\$0	Submit	Withdraw
C Matt Thaiss	29	2 Ys, 152 Days	.259/.355/.393, 135 AB, 2 HR, 2 SB, 116 wRC+, 1.0 WAR	\$740,000	\$1,200,000	\$0	Submit	Withdraw
1B Keston Hiura	28	3 Ys, 96 Days	.236/.303/.402, 199 AB, 8 HR, 3 SB, 100 wRC+, 0.1 WAR	\$740,000	\$1,700,000	\$0	Submit	Withdraw
2B Luis Rengifo	27	5 Ys, 43 Days	.271/.315/.389, 457 AB, 12 HR, 24 SB, 100 wRC+, 2.0 WAR	\$4,400,000	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	Change	Withdraw
LF Willie Calhoun	30	4 Ys, 115 Days	.277/.359/.370, 184 AB, 2 HR, 1 SB, 85 wRC+, -0.1 WAR (PCL)	\$740,000	\$1,500,000	\$0	Submit	Withdraw
LF Taylor Ward	30	4 Ys, 164 Days	.260/.335/.462, 574 AB, 27 HR, 13 SB, 124 wRC+, 2.6 WAR	\$2,750,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	Change	Withdraw
RF Jo Adell	25	3 Ys, 85 Days	.185/.238/.374, 433 AB, 21 HR, 11 SB, 68 wRC+, -0.7 WAR	\$740,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	Change	Withdraw
RF Mickey Moniak	26	2 Ys, 136 Days	.249/.307/.497, 173 AB, 9 HR, 3 SB, 89 wRC+, 0.3 WAR (PCL)	\$740,000	\$1,200,000	\$950,000	Change	Withdraw

The players above are eligible for salary arbitration. Hearings are held on Mon. Nov. 18th , 2024; you must submit or withdraw your offers before then. The values set by default reflect the estimated value and have been submitted already, so you might want to offer lower amounts! Players who are not offered a contract will become free agents.

Players with a * are 'Super 2' arbitration cases. They became eligible for arbitration because they were in the top 22% of service time among players with at least 2 years of service time. The cutoff this year is 136 days.
Players with a # are currently thinking about your most recent offer.

PENDING FREE AGENTS

Player	Age	FA Type	Stats	Current Salary	
2B Brandon Drury	32	Comp.	.181/.243/.261, 287 AB, 4 HR, 44 wRC+, -1.4 WAR	\$8,500,000	<input type="checkbox"/> Submit \$18,900,000 Qualifying Offer
RP Hunter Strickland	36	Comp.	2-1, 2.93 ERA, 58.1 IP, 0.96 WHIP, 8.5 K/9, 0.8 WAR	\$740,000	<input type="checkbox"/> Submit \$18,900,000 Qualifying Offer

The players above are eligible for free agency and may fit the requirements for potential draft pick compensation. In order to qualify for draft pick compensation for lost free agents, you must offer a player eligible for compensation arbitration (which equals a 1-year contract of \$18,900,000). A player is only eligible for compensation if he spent the entire season on the team's roster. If the player does not accept this contract, he will become a free agent and you will receive a compensatory draft pick if he signs with another team.
Players with a # are currently thinking about your most recent offer.



Other Organizational Changes for 2025

- Angels’ fans and observers have long bemoaned the Angels’ lack of investment in the necessary player development resources. Well, that is no longer going to be an issue. Rather than throwing stupid money at -EV free agents, we’re funneling legitimate funds into our player dev apparatus. While some of our more boisterous talk radio fans will be unhappy with the lack of big free agent acquisitions, they’ll (hopefully) appreciate the long-term benefits of a well-funded development machine...several years from now. Strap in.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY				EXPENSES			
Budget (2025)		t-15th	\$214,000,000	Expense	2024	YTD	Projected (2025)
Player Payroll		17th	\$145,343,400	Player Payroll	\$171,228,878	-	\$145,343,400
Total Money Available			\$22,776,600	Staff Payroll	\$7,679,999	-	\$7,030,000
Money for Extensions			\$48,445,000	Scouting Budget	\$10,350,000	\$12,500,000	\$12,500,000
Team Focus			Rebuilding	Development Budget	\$13,500,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000
Market Size	<div><div></div></div>		Very Big	Draft Expenditures	\$14,325,000	-	\$15,000,000
Fan Loyalty	<div><div></div></div>		Average	Intl Amateur FA	-	-	\$4,750,000
Fan Interest	<div><div></div></div>		63	Misc. Expenses	\$705,556	-	-
ATTENDANCE INFO				Offered Contracts	-	-	\$100,000
Total Attendance (2024)		24th	1,647,260	TOTAL	-\$217,789,433	-\$32,500,000	-\$204,723,400

40-Man Roster Adds Prior to Rule 5 Draft

- **CF Grant McCray, 24 (AAA Salt Lake); #10 LAA prospect, #276 overall**
→ Discussed in a prior post. Among the five best defensive center fielders in MILB. Contact/K issues, but high walk rates make him an ideal 9-hole hitter in the Trent Grisham mold. Will open the season at AAA but should see significant MLB time later in the year.
- **RHP Kelvin Caceres, 24 (AAA Salt Lake); #32 LAA prospect**
→ Signed in 2018 out of the DR and has steadily climbed the organizational ladder thanks to monster ground-ball rates (71% last year) and a unique sinker/curveball combo. Sits 97-99 but doesn't miss as many bats as the big stuff would suggest. Some Luis Garcia similarities here with the 40-grade command and hard, bowling ball sinker. With three options, he'll be a frequent flier on the Salt Lake to Anaheim train for the next season or two.
- **RHP Luis Guerrero, 24 (AA Rocket City); #25 LAA prospect**
→ Discussed at length at the time of the trade last July with Boston. Unlike Caceres, Guerrero is a 4-seam guy with two legitimate secondaries (slider/splitter). He was electric at Double A last season and isn't far away from potentially moving into a high leverage role. The question is whether we subject him to the brutality of Salt Lake and the PCL or let him skip directly to the majors – potentially as soon as opening day.
- **OF Alexander Ramirez, 22 (AA Rocket City); #54 LAA prospect**
→ Another member of the Angels' 2018 international class, Ramirez is a classic power-hitting Dominican corner outfielder with strikeout and contact concerns. The power has been slow-developing and only rates as a 35 despite six years in the system. Still, he's worth protecting because the new scouting group thinks he could grow into 60 power, which would put him in the second tier of organizational power hitters behind Braden Montgomery, Corey Collins, and Carson Messina. He's probably maxed-out as a short-side platoon guy (he's right-handed), but there's a glimmer of hope that the power pops in the next year or two and he starts looking like Teoscar Hernandez-lite (with all of the requisite strikeout and hit tool deficiencies).
- **2B/SS Aroel Vera, 22 (AA Rocket City); #47 LAA prospect**
→ Vera was a bonus baby in the 2019 class, signing for \$2.2M out of Venezuela. Like so many slick-fielding Venezuelan middle infielders, it was widely-assumed that he wouldn't develop everyday power and would need the glove to carry the profile. Those prognostications have mostly come to fruition, though Vera's 6'2, 175-pound frame suggests that he could still get to some power (he's a current 30 with 45 power upside). He was passable defensively at shortstop at Double A last season but grades out plus as a defender at second base. Switch-hitting middle infielders with non-zero power and reasonable contact rates are valuable pieces towards the bottom of rosters. He'll get another shot at Double A after a woeful year with the bat (49 wRC+), though like many Angels prospects, he was rushed to a level for which he was ill-prepared.

ALEXANDER RAMIREZ | #35

LF | Rocket City Trash Pandas - Southern League (AA) | Bats: Right | Age 22 | 6' 2" - 180 lbs

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Rule 5 Draft

PROFILE

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Ratings relative to: MLB

OSA Ratings

Head Scout

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BASEBALL CARDS

ACTIONS...

PERSONAL DETAILS

Age	22 years, 106 days
Date of Birth	August 29th , 2002
City of Birth	San Cristóbal, SAN
Nationality	Dominican 🇩🇪
Position	Left Field
Bats / Throws	Right / Right
Team	Rocket City Trash Pandas (SL, LAA)
Salary	Minor League Contract
Nat. Popularity	Unknown
Morale	Very Unhappy 😞
Expectation	No expectation
Major Service	None

BASIC BATTING RATINGS

Contact	Current / Potential
40 / 45	
Gap Power	
45 / 50	
Power	
35 / 60	
Eye	
45 / 45	
Avoid K's	
40 / 40	

SUMMARY

Overall	30
Potential	45
Scouting Accuracy	🚲 Very High

OTHER BATTING RATINGS

Batted Ball Profile	Normal
Groundball Tendency	Pull Hitter
Flyball Tendency	Pull Hitter
Speed	50
Stealing Aggressiveness	55
Stealing Ability	65
Baserunning	60
Sacrifice Bunt	55
Bunt for Hit	55

POSITION RATINGS


Left Field	60 / 70
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DEFENSIVE RATINGS

Outfield Range	60
Outfield Error	60
Outfield Arm	60

PERSONALITY

Good teammate who enjoys hanging with friends.



AROL VERA | #8

SS | Rocket City Trash Pandas - Southern League (AA) | Bats: Switch | Age 22 | 6' 2" - 175 lbs

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PERSONAL DETAILS

Age

22 years, 92 days

Date of Birth

September 12th , 2002

City of Birth

Valencia, CAR

Nationality

Venezuelan

Position

Shortstop

Bats / Throws

Switch / Right

Team

Rocket City Trash Pandas (SL, LAA)

Salary

Minor League Contract

Nat. Popularity

Unknown

Morale

Normal

Expectation

No expectation

Major Service

None

BASIC BATTING RATINGS

Contact

50 / 50

Gap Power

40 / 50

Power

30 / 45

Eye

45 / 50

Avoid K's

45 / 50

SUMMARY

Overall

30

Potential

45

Scouting Accuracy

Very High

OTHER BATTING RATINGS

Batted Ball Profile

Normal

Groundball Tendency

Normal

Flyball Tendency

Normal

Speed

45

Stealing Aggressiveness

45

Stealing Ability

60

Baserunning

45

Sacrifice Bunt

50

Bunt for Hit

45

POSITION RATINGS

Second Base

50 / 60

Shortstop

45 / 50

DEFENSIVE RATINGS

Infield Range

60

Infield Error

60

Infield Arm

60

Turn DP

55

PERSONALITY

Vera is driven to succeed and possesses great intelligence. He's popular with everyone.

High: Work Ethic, Intelligence

*With these five added, our 40-man stands at 34 players heading into Rule 5.

Player Development

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT LAB	
Player	Program
 1B Nolan Schanuel	Generate Batspeed
 SS Zach Neto	Plate Discipline
 C Logan O'Hoppe	Plate Discipline
 P Chase Silseth	Increase Pitch Movement
 LF Nelson Rada	Quality of Contact
 RF Braden Montgomery	Quality of Contact

2025 Salaries

- Other than **Mickey Moniak** (\$970K), everyone not listed here is making the vet minimum. Just two more years of Rendon...

HIGHEST PAID PLAYERS	
Player	Contract
1) 3B Anthony Rendon	\$38,000,000
2) CF Mike Trout	\$35,450,000
3) SP Tyler Anderson	\$13,000,000
4) CL Robert Stephenson	\$11,000,000
5) 1B Evan White	\$8,000,000
6) SP Patrick Sandoval	\$7,595,000
7) 2B Luis Rengifo	\$7,000,000
8) LF Taylor Ward	\$6,000,000
9) SP Griffin Canning	\$3,500,000
10) SP Reid Detmers	\$2,480,000
11) RF Jo Adell	\$1,500,000